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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 July 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-27 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-27 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 12 June 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
- If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).
- a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. In light of the interview conducted on July 1, 2003 with Ms. Laura Lee, Examiner agreed with the Applicant that the prior art of record failed to meet all the amended limitations and the final rejection was premature, therefore, Examiner withdrew the last final rejection and issuing a new final rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.
3. Claims 1, 4-9 and 22-23 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,031,325 to Amano in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,096,408 to Bozzay.

Regarding to claims 1, 4-9 and 22-23, Amano discloses in Figure 1A, "the electron gun comprises three cathodes 10A, 10B, and 10C, first electrode 11, second electrode, third electrode 13, fourth electrode 14, fifth electrodes, sixth electrode 16, and sealed cap 17. The fifth electrodes comprises a 5.sub.-1 electrode and a 5.sub.-2 electrode. The 5.sub.-1 electrode which is equivalent to a focus electrode is divided to the first focus electrode of 5.sub.-1A electrode 51A, second focus electrode of 5.sub.1B electrode 51B, and third focus electrode of 5.sub.-1C electrode 51C. Components other

than the 5.sub.-1 electrode have the same structure as known, therefore detailed description is omitted" (column 7, line 60 to column 8, line 3).

Amano also discloses in Figure 1A, "to the first and third focus electrode (5.sub.-1A electrode 51A and 5.sub.-1C electrode 51C), a focus voltage $V_{sub.F}$ is applied through the stem (*a plurality of stem pins, further it is old and well known in the art to have a plurality of stem pins for applying voltages to the electrodes*) (not shown in the drawing). On the other hand, to the second focus electrode (5.sub.-1B electrode 51B), a voltage ($V_{sub.F} + V_{sub.DQ}$) that is a superimposed voltage of a dynamic quadrupole voltage $V_{sub.DQ}$ having a saw-tooth waveform synchronous with horizontal deflection of the focus voltage $V_{sub.F}$ applied to the first and third electrodes and the focus voltage $V_{sub.F}$ is applied. Thereby, quadrupole action is exerted (acting) on the electron beam R and the electron beam B which pass through the electron beam passage apertures 21A, 22A, and 23A and 21C, 22C, and 23C respectively by means of the first, second, and third focus electrodes (5.sub.-1A electrode 51A, 5.sub.-1B electrode 51B, and 5.sub.-1C electrode 51C)" (column 9, line 12-26).

Amano further discloses in Figure 1A, "to the third electrode 13 and 5.sub.-2 electrode 52, a voltage that is a superimposed voltage ($V_{sub.F} + V_{sub.DF}$) of a dynamic focus voltage $V_{sub.DF}$ (refer to FIG. 8) synchronous with horizontal deflection of the focus voltage $V_{sub.F}$ applied to the 5.sub.-1C electrode 51C and the focus voltage $V_{sub.F}$ is applied as in the related art. Thereby a quadrupole lens is formed between the 5.sub.-1C electrode 51C and 5.sub.-2 electrode 52, and the strength of the focus lens formed between the 5.sub.-2 electrode 52 and the sixth electrode 16 is varied. As the

result, the shape of electron beams on the right and left periphery of the fluorescent screen is improved" (column 10, line 57-67).

However, Amano does not disclose a bead glass for holding the electrodes at fixed distances and a body of the wire between the one end and the other end of the wire is arranged so not to pass through a space formed between an outer surface of the bead glass and an inner surface of a neck tube of the cathode ray tube. Bozzay teaches in Figure 2, "a cathode ray tube base 12 provides a plurality of electrical leads for introducing into the glass envelope the video and blanking signals as well as certain voltages for beam forming and focusing. The operating signals and voltages are conveyed to the electrodes of gun 10 within the envelope by means of internal electrical leads, two typical ones of which are shown by 14 (*a body of wire arranged so as not to pass through a space formed between an outer surface of the bead glass and an inner surface of the neck tube of the cathode ray tube*). The three electron-emitting cathodes 24 of the heater-cathode assembly 16 generate three coplanar beams of electrons 18, 20 and 22 which travel through a series of electrodes to energize the red, green and blue phosphors on the imaging surface of the television cathode ray tube through a multi-apertured color selection electrode (not shown). A unitized, disc-type accelerating grid 28 follows control grid 26 in the progression of the three electron beams from the cathodes 24 to the imaging screen. The three beams enter the electrostatic fields of the main focusing lens 30, consisting of unitized electrodes 32, 34, 36 and 38 constructed according to this invention. Each electrode in lens 30 carries a predetermined voltage to establish a beam focusing field, or an "electrostatic lens" for each beam. This type of

lens, also referred to as an "extended field lens", utilizes the principles of the extended field lens described and claimed in U.S. Pat. No. 3,895,253 by Schwartz et al. Each electrode 32, 34, 36 and 38 is electrically isolated from the others to establish the focusing fields of the electron lens which they comprise, and each contain three electrically shielding beam-passing tubes therethrough formed from the electrode material. The beam-passing tube concept does not constitute, per se, an aspect of this invention, but is described and claimed in copending application Ser. No. 655,592 filed Feb. 6, 1976" (column 3, line 22 to column 4, line 2). Bozzay also teaches in Figure 2, a bead glass 50 which holds the electrode at a fixed distance from each other.

Bozzay also teaches in Figure 3, "electrode support tab 55 has a distal end 62 and a stress-absorbing section 64, each having a specific function. The distal end 62 is fully embedded in the glass of structural bead 50, which is shown in section. The stress-absorbing section 64 is at most only partially embedded in bead 50, and acts to absorb stress that may be resident in both the bead 50 and electrode 32, with the result that the tendency toward bead cracking and electrode displacement is alleviated" (column 5, line 67-68 to column 6, line 1-8).

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have utilize the wire or electrical lead and the bead glass of Bozzay for the electron gun in a cathode ray tube of Amano in order to increase the electron-emitting efficiency and unitize electron gun while reduce stress and reduces the tendency of electrode displacement.

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4. Claims 2, 10-21, and 24-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,350,967 to Chen in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,096, 408 to Bozzay.

Regarding to claims 2, 10-21 and 24-27 , Chen discloses in Figures 5 and 6, a “side views of an electron gun 30 in accordance with the principles of the present invention. Electron gun 30 includes three equally spaced co-planar cathodes 32a, 32b and 32c (one for each beam), a control grid 34 (G.sub.1), a screen grid 36 (G.sub.2), a third electrode 38 (G.sub.3), a fourth electrode 40 (G.sub.4), a fifth electrode 42 (G.sub.5), where the G.sub.5 electrode includes a portion G.sub.5 ' identified as element 44, and a sixth electrode 46 (G.sub.6). The electrodes are spaced in the recited order from the cathodes 32a, 32b and 32c and are attached to a conventional support arrangement such as a pair of glass rods, which are not shown in the figure for simplicity. In the following discussion, the terms "electrode" and "grid" are used interchangeably” (column 5, line 53-66).

Chen also discloses in Figures 5 and 6, “cathodes 32a, 32b and 32c, the G.sub.1 electrode 34, the G.sub.2 electrode 36, and a portion of the G.sub.3 electrode 38 facing the G.sub.2 electrode comprise a beam forming region (BFR) 33 of the electron gun 30. Another portion of the G.sub.3 electrode 38, the G.sub.4 electrode 40, and a portion of the G.sub.5 electrode 42 facing the G.sub.4 electrode comprise a symmetric prefocus lens 35 of the electron gun 30. Facing portions of the G.sub.5 electrode 42 and the G.sub.5 ' electrode 44 form a dynamic quadrupole 37 as described below, while that portion of the G.sub.5 ' electrode facing the G.sub.6 electrode 46 and the G.sub.6 electrode itself form the main focus lens 37 of electron gun 30. A magnetic deflection yoke 81 is disposed intermediate

the G.sub.6 electrode and a display screen (not shown in the figure for simplicity) of a CRT in which the electron gun 30 is employed" (column 67-68 to column 6, line 1-14).

Chen further discloses in Figures 5 and 6,"various voltages, or potentials, as these terms are used interchangeably in the following discussion, are applied to the various electrodes as indicated in FIG. 5. For example, fixed voltages V.sub.F1, V.sub.F2 and V.sub.F3 are respectively applied to the G.sub.1, G.sub.2 and G.sub.3 electrodes 34, 36 and 38. Similarly, fixed voltages V.sub.F4 and V.sub.F5 are applied to the G.sub.4 electrode 40 and to the G.sub.5 electrode 42. A dynamic voltage V.sub.DYN is applied to the G.sub.5 ' electrode 44. The G.sub.3 and G.sub.5 electrodes 38, 42 are electrically interconnected and operate at the same potential of about 7 kV. The G.sub.6 electrode 46 operates at an anode potential of about 25 V, while the cathodes operate at about 150 V, the G.sub.1 electrode 34 is essentially at ground potential, and the G.sub.2 and G.sub.4 electrodes are electrically interconnected and operate within the range of about 300 V to 1000 V. The dynamic V.sub.DYN voltage applied to the G.sub.5 ' electrode 44 establishes a dynamic electrostatic quadrupole in between the G.sub.5 ' electrode and the facing portion of the G.sub.5 electrode 42. By applying to the G.sub.5 ' electrode 44 a dynamic differential focus voltage that ranges from the potential on the G.sub.5 electrode 42, with no deflection, to about 1000 volts more positive than the voltage applied to the G.sub.5 electrode at maximum deflection, the deflected electron beam current density contour can be improved as set forth in U.S. Pat. No. 4,764,704" (column 6, line 15-43).

However, Chen does not disclose a wire having one end welded to the third electrode and the other end welded to stem pin, wherein the body of the wire is arranged so as not to pass through a space formed between an outer surface of the bead glass and an inner surface of a neck tube. Bozzay teaches in Figure 2, “a cathode ray tube base 12 provides a plurality of electrical leads for introducing into the glass envelope the video and blanking signals as well as certain voltages for beam forming and focusing. The operating signals and voltages are conveyed to the electrodes of gun 10 within the envelope by means of internal electrical leads, two typical ones of which are shown by 14” (column 3, line 37-44). As shown in Figure 3, the two exemplary electrical leads 14 of Bozzay consist of a straight portion and a bend portion, where the straight portion is parallel to the glass bead 50.

Bozzay also teaches in Figure 3, “electrode support tab 55 has a distal end 62 and a stress-absorbing section 64, each having a specific function. The distal end 62 is fully embedded in the glass of structural bead 50, which is shown in section. The stress-absorbing section 64 is at most only partially embedded in bead 50, and acts to absorb stress that may be resident in both the bead 50 and electrode 32, with the result that the tendency toward bead cracking and electrode displacement is alleviated” (column 5, line 67-68 to column 6, line 1-8).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have utilize the electrical leads of Bozzay and the two glass beads of Bozzay for the electron gun of Chen in order to convey different operating signals and

static voltage power to each individual electrodes, furthermore, unitized and enhance the structural integrity of the electron gun.

Response to Arguments

5. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-27 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

The following prior art are cited to further show the state of the art of composition of an electron gun in a cathode ray tube.

U.S. Patent No. 4,172,309 to Chiodi.

U.S. Patent No. 5,539,285 to Iguchi.

U.S. Patent No. 5,739,629 to Yun.

U.S. Patent No. 5,814,929 to Jo.

U.S. Patent No. 5,994,826 to Ueno.

U.S. Patent No. 6,420,841 to Van Vroonhoven.

U.S. Patent No. 6,489,736 to Ueno.

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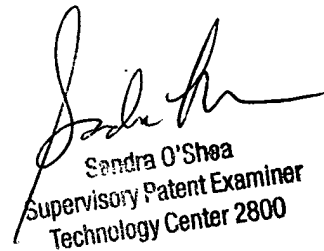
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